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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action and Notice to Comply mailed 25 February 2003 in the above referenced patent application, for which a three month shortened statutory period to respond was set, and the Advisory Action mailed 5 June 2003. Accordingly, a Petition and Fee for a two-month Extension of Time is submitted herewith, extending the period of time for response to July 25, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 07-1392.